



House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 632

February Session, 2008

House Bill No. 5848

House of Representatives, April 15, 2008

The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. MERRILL of the 54th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING EXPENDITURES FOR THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE CONSTITUENT UNITS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The Board of Governors of
2 Higher Education shall review the programs and services
3 administered or provided by the Department of Higher Education or
4 by any constituent unit of the state system of higher education in order
5 to assess the effectiveness and the benefits of such programs and
6 services and assign priority for their continued funding. The board
7 shall submit its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
8 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
9 relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies not later
10 than January 1, 2009, and annually thereafter.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
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APP *Joint Favorable*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires the Board of Governors of Higher Education to review programs they administer, evaluate the effectiveness of such programs, and to report findings to the General Assembly no later than January 1, 2009. The bill is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact.

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State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

OFA Bill Analysis**HB 5848*****AN ACT CONCERNING EXPENDITURES FOR THE PROGRAMS
AND SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
AND THE CONSTITUENT UNITS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.*****SUMMARY:**

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EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2008

COMMITTEE ACTION

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 54 Nay 0 (03/28/2008)